



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: SOHOCKI

SERIAL NO: 09/765061

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FOR: MUTATIONS IN A NOVEL

PHOTORECEPTOR-PINEAL GENE ON 17P CAUSE

LEBER CONGENITAL AMAUROSIS (LCA4)

§ EXAMINER: SHIBUYA, ML

§ GROUP ART UNIT: 1639

§ DOCKET: 25630/16UTL

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**RESPONSE TO 8 MAY 2007 FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Examiner ML Shibuya:

In response to the Final Office Action dated 8 May 2007, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks:

**SUMMARY OF NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

<b><i>Election/Restrictions</i></b>	cancel nonelected claims
<b><i>Priority</i></b>	petition for delayed claim
<b><i>Oath/Declaration</i></b>	submit new oath
<b><i>Specification</i></b>	correct sequence listing and sequence IDs
<b>Claims 9-13, 21-24 and 27</b>	102(b) - Sohocki et al., Nature Genetics, Jan. 1, 2000, Vol. 24, pp. 79-83
<b>Claims 9, 12, 13 and 27</b>	102(a) - Damji, et al., American Journal of Human Genetics, Oct. 2000, Vol. 67, No. 4 Supplement 2, pp. 382, Abstract 2142.